GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PLANNING
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PER CAPITA CONSUMPTION
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Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the per capita consumption expenditure in rural areas is lower than that in the urban areas in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor, State-wise; and

(c) the extent to which the said consumption is less than the consumption amount fixed at international level?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI M.V.RAJASEKHARAN)

(a): Yes Sir. On the basis of the latest large Household Consumer Expenditure Survey conducted by the NSSO during 1999-2000 (NSS 55th Round), it has been observed that the per capita consumption expenditure in rural areas is lower than that in the urban areas in the country. The household per capita consumption expenditure at the national level is estimated as Rs.486.16 per month and for rural areas and Rs.854.92 per month for urban areas.

(b): The details of the per capita consumption expenditure during 1999-2000 as per NSS (55th Round) Household Consumption Expenditure Survey for major states is enclosed in Annexure-I. One of the main reasons for the higher per capita expenditure in urban areas as compared to the rural is that the cost of living in urban areas is systematically higher than in rural areas.

(c): There is no comparable consumption amount fixed at the international level. In the Indian context, the minimum consumption requirements are reflected in the poverty lines specified for each State. The values of these State-wise Poverty Line for rural and urban areas are given in Annexure-II.

ANNEXURE-I

Monthly Average Per Capita cpmsumption Expenditure in 1999-2000

(Rs.)

S.No.	States/U.T`s	Rural	Urban
1.	Andhra Pradesh	453.61	773.52
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	648.00	762.66
3.	Assam	426.13	814.12
4.	Bihar	385.10	601.90
5.	Goa	868.77	1155.50
6.	Gujarat	551.33	891.68
7	Haryana	714.38	912.08
8.	Himachal Pradesh	684.53	1243.30
9.	Jammu & Kashmir	677.60	952.84
10.	Karnataka	499.78	910.99
11.	Kerala	765.71	932.62
12.	Madhya Pradesh	401.50	693.56

13. Maharashtra 496.77 973.33
14. Manipur 537.80 707.77
15. Meghalaya 563.45 972.18
16. Mizoram 721.84 1056.60
17. Nagaland 941.31 1242.40
18. Orissa 373.17 618.49
19. Punjab 742.82 898.82
20. Rajasthan 548.88 795.81
21. Sikkim 531.77 905.69
22. Tamil Nadu 514.07 971.63
23. Tripura 528.41 876.60
24. Uttar Pradesh 466.63 690.33
25. West Bengal 454.80 866.59
26. A & N Island 780.21 1114.30
27. Chandigarh 989.19 1435.60
28. Dadra & Nagar Haveli 561.18 1207.40
29. Daman & Diu 901.48 979.43
30. Delhi 917.21 1383.60
31. Lakshadweep 876.19 1018.20
32. Pondicherry 597.63 784.27

All India 486.16 854.92

Annexure-II

State-specific Povertly Line - 1999-2000

(Rs. Monthly per capita)

S.No. States/U.T`s Rural Urban

1 Andhra Pradesh 262.94 457.4
2 Arunachal Pradesh 365.43 343.99
3 Assam 365.43 343.99
4 Bihar 333.07 379.78
5 Goa 318.63 539.71
6 Gujarat 318.94 474.41
7 Haryana 362.81 420.2
8 Himachal Pradesh 367.45 420.2
9 Jammu & Kashmir 367.45 420.2
10 Karnataka 309.59 511.44
11 Kerala 374.79 477.06
12 Madhya Pradesh 311.34 481.65
13 Maharashtra 318.63 539.71
14 Manipur 365.43 343.99
15 Meghalaya 365.43 343.99
16 Mizoram 365.43 343.99
17 Nagaland 365.43 343.99
18 Orissa 323.92 473.12
19 Punjab 362.68 388.15
20 Rajasthan 344.03 465.92
21 Sikkim 365.43 343.99
22 Tamil Nadu 307.64 475.6
23 Tripura 365.43 343.99
24 Uttar Pradesh 336.88 416.29
25 West Bengal 350.17 409.22
26 A & N Island 307.64 475.6
27 Chandigarh 388.15 388.15
28 Dadra & Nagar Haveli 318.63 539.71
29 Daman & Diu 318.63 539.71
30 Delhi 362.68 505.45
31 Lakshadweep 374.79 477.06
32 Pondicherry 307.64 475.6

All India 327.56 454.11